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TRUMAN WILL NOT RUN

Hawaii Vacation Trip Won By Liberty Carpenter, Wife

Three hours of signing 480 tickets brought a once-in-a-lifetime dividend to a 54-year-old Liberty area carpenter and his wife Saturday—a free, 10-day vacation in Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Drees of Salem Route 9, Box 300, had the lucky ticket for the Salem Downtown Merchant's Association's grand prize of an all-expense paid trip to Hawaii.

Other winners Saturday were Aaron Zahn, 2060 Highway Ave., \$150 merchandise certificate for men's, women's or children apparel.

IT SEEMS TO ME By Charles A. Sprague

Out of a long and wide experience in the field of agriculture Paul V. Maris, former Director of the Extension Service at OSC, recently with the federal Department of Agriculture, raised warnings in addresses at the farm program conference at Corvallis last week against the inroad of rural poverty.

Union Leader Asserts PGE Strike Threatens

PORTLAND (AP)—Portland General Electric Company's 900 operating workers will strike April 14 unless agreement is reached on a new contract, a union business manager said Saturday.

Such a strike would shut down the big utility, he said. Just how a strike of PGE operating workers would affect service in Salem was not known.

He added that law forbids any strike against a public utility which might endanger life or property, which would probably indicate that electric service would not be curtailed.

Robert H. Wooden, the business manager, said the workers voted Friday night to back up their demands with a strike threat because management representatives were not bargaining in good faith.

He said that in six weeks the company has been willing to meet only about once a week and the union hasn't been able to make formal presentation of its wage demand which is an increase of 8.5 per cent.

McMinnville Votes to Build Sewage Plant

McMINNVILLE (AP)—A \$300,000 bond issue to build a sewage treatment plant here was approved 398-102 in Friday's election. In addition to the bond issue, the petition favored a water users charge to meet interest and maintenance costs.

Politics on Parade . . . Who's Running for What in the May Primaries!

Editor's note: Stories in the "Politics on Parade" are written by or for the candidates, on invitation of The Oregon Statesman, and views expressed herein may or may not be in accordance with the opinion of this newspaper. The articles are published in the public interest, and without obligation on the part of anyone.

Stassen Tactics in Wisconsin Draw Jibe from Truman

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman took a crack Saturday night at Republican campaigning in Wisconsin.

British-Egypt Dispute Said Near Solution

CAIRO, Egypt (AP)—The British-Egyptian dispute appeared headed for possible solution Saturday night with reports in both Cairo and London that Britain may agree in principle to Egypt's demands on the Suez Canal and the Sudan.

Eisenhower Wins Support in Washington

SEATTLE (AP)—Sen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's supporters Saturday night claimed he would win two-thirds of the delegates from King County at the state GOP convention as a result of a smashing 7-4 vote for Eisenhower over Sen. Robert Taft in grass-roots caucuses here Friday night.

East Oregon Floods Ease

By The Associated Press Burns was the center of the Oregon flood area Saturday but sharply lower temperatures put an end to continued rises of rivers swollen by melting snow.

Committees Form Patterns for 25 Years of Oregon Agriculture

By LILLIE L. MADSEN Farm Editor, The Statesman CORVALLIS—Farm committees Saturday completed reports that are expected to guide agriculture in Oregon for the next 25 years.

Western Union Strike Forecast

WASHINGTON—A nationwide strike of 31,000 Western Union Telegraph Co. workers at midnight Monday was predicted Saturday by leaders of the AFL-CIO Commercial Telegraphers Union.

President Bows Out at Demo Banquet; No 'Heir' Appointed

Decision Adds Confusion to Political Race

By JACK BELL MILWAUKEE (AP)—President Truman, the man who never ran away from a fight, quit the Democratic presidential nomination race Saturday night.

The President, who has spent seven years in office, left his party in complete confusion about his possible successor.

Truman picked no favorite for the job he has held since the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Decision No Surprise To President's Family

WASHINGTON (AP)—The reason for Mrs. Harry S. Truman's cheerfulness of late is now out. Apparently President Truman's "bombshell" that he is not a candidate for reelection was no surprise to her, however much it was to others.

Man on Relief Prevented From Taking Cruise

NEW YORK (AP)—A man on relief was blocked from taking a tour of Scotland Saturday when an officer removed him from the liner Queen Mary in a near-riotous scene.

Threat of Steel Strike Remains

WASHINGTON (AP)—The threat of a steel strike April 8 still hung over the nation Saturday night, but some officials were hopeful it will be averted.



WASHINGTON—President Harry S. Truman will hand over the key to the newly-remodeled White House to a new occupant next January. The President announced Saturday night that he will not seek re-election. He is shown here receiving the key to the White House with Mrs. Truman and (left to right) Charles Glavin, White House usher, and Howell G. Grim, chief usher. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Shouts of 'No' Greet Surprise Announcement

WASHINGTON (AP) Harry S. Truman, President of the United States, announced Saturday night he would not accept another nomination.

He threw the annual Jackson Day dinner of his party into surprise turmoil with the flat announcement: "I shall not be a candidate for reelection. I have served my country long and, I think, efficiently and honestly."

As newsmen crowded about his motor car as it prepared to leave the National Guard Armory for the White House, they asked if there was any chance he might change his decision.

Persons close to the President's car said both Mr. Truman and Mrs. Truman were weeping as they drove away.

The historic statement came with an interpolation in his prepared address which was delivered to 5,000 of the party faithful in the huge armory.

Asked if he would accept the Democratic nomination, Stevenson said: "I'll cross that bridge when I come to it."

There was shock and amazement written on the faces of the members of the White House party, including some of the regular workers who have been devoted to the man from Missouri.

Throughout all the hubbub Stevenson beamed and joked with the newsmen.

Many Democrats at the dinner expressed belief Truman's withdrawal had left the race for the Democratic nomination wide open, despite whatever preference the President might later express.